

HISTORIC PRESERVATION NEWS AND NOTES from the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO)
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Review Board Will Meet Friday, November 21, 2014

The State Board of Review for the National Register of Historic Places will meet on Friday, November 21, 2014 at 10:30 a.m. at the SC Archives and History Center in Columbia. The Board will consider the following nominations:

- Standard Oil Company Headquarters, Charleston
- Federal Land Bank, Columbia

The public is welcome to attend the meeting. For more information about the State Board of Review, see <http://shpo.sc.gov/programs/natreg/Pages/Board.aspx> or contact Andy Chandler at chandler@scdah.state.sc.us or 803-896-6179.

New Listing in the National Register of Historic Places

The **Columbia Commercial Historic District** was listed in the National Register of Historic Places on October 20, 2014. The district includes commercial buildings north of the State House primarily within the 1500, 1600, and 1700 blocks of Main Street along with its cross-streets. The district is significant under commerce and architecture as it represents broad patterns in Columbia's commercial history and exhibits architectural styles no longer found elsewhere in the city.

Photographs from recent National Register listings are on the SCDAH [Facebook page](#).

SHPO Accepting Applications for FY 2015 Federal Grants

Applications and instructions for the 2015 Historic Preservation Fund matching grants are now available at <http://shpo.sc.gov/programs/Pages/Grants.aspx>. Two types of projects are eligible, survey and planning, and stabilization (only for projects located in one of SC's [Certified Local Government \(CLG\) communities](#)). **Applications will be accepted until 5:00 PM, February 6, 2015.** Please contact Brad Sauls at 803-896-6172, or sauls@scdah.state.sc.us to discuss your project before you apply.

Send in a Session Proposal for the 2015 Preservation Conference

We are accepting proposals for education sessions at the 2015 Historic Preservation Conference, which will be held April 23, 2015 in Columbia. Sessions can cover a variety of topics, and range in difficulty from "Preservation 101" to advanced discussions of exceptional, cutting-edge issues. Sessions should highlight models and strategies that conference attendees can apply in their own communities. For more details, please see <http://shpo.sc.gov/events/Pages/presconf.aspx>. **Proposals are due February 2, 2015.** Any questions, please contact Elizabeth Johnson at emjohnson@scdah.state.sc.us, 803-896-6168.

SC African American Heritage Commission Accepting Award Nominations

The SC African American Heritage Commission is seeking nominations for the "Preserving Our Places In History Awards" for 2015. The nomination form is available online at http://shpo.sc.gov/res/Documents/POPIH_awards_info_2015.pdf. **The deadline for nominations is December 19, 2014.**

November is Native American Heritage Month

Events and educational opportunities are available throughout the month of November to honor and celebrate Native American Indian people and culture. To see this year's South Carolina and National Native American Indian Heritage Month proclamations and events, please visit the Native American Affairs Calendar [page](#) or contact Ms. Marcy L. Hayden at mhayden@cfma.sc.gov.

Penn Center Symposium This Weekend

Penn Center on St. Helena Island, SC, a National Historic Landmark District, will host a Civil Rights Symposium on **November 21 - 22, 2014** to facilitate greater state and regional understanding of the history of Civil Rights in South Carolina and the country. The symposium will feature a number of national and regional scholars and activists,

including Robert Moses, Cleveland Sellers, Millicent Brown, Emory Campbell and more. See <http://penncenter.com/> or for more information contact Victoria A. Smalls, Director of History, Art, and Culture, at 843-838-2342, or info@penncenter.com.

New Guidance on Agreement Documents

The Advisory Council on Historic Preservation has recently posted its new "Guidance on Agreement Documents" online at <http://www.achp.gov/agreementdocguidance.html>. The Guidance is designed to walk stakeholders through the process of developing and writing a clear, concise agreement document under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act to address an undertaking's effects to historic properties or develop a programmatic agreement. It is augmented by two checklists, sample agreement documents, and an extensive series of example stipulations.

Tips to Weatherize Windows

If you have an old building with old windows, here are tips to help you prepare for the winter season by weatherizing your windows. Click [here](#) for a guide to help you on your way to a warmer winter and lower heating bills.

Conferences / Workshops / Events

NEW Adventures in Preservation is a nonprofit that offers trips to heritage sites around the world to teach participants conservation and preservation skills while helping conserve historic sites. Please see the schedule on their website for trips in 2015, including one in Virginia that includes archaeology and preservation. Visit <http://adventuresinpreservation.org/>

SC Association of Nonprofit Organizations, Weekly Wednesday Webinars, fall 2014 and spring 2015. A wide variety of free webinars are offered, check out the schedule [here](#).

NEW South Carolina Federation of Museums Annual Conference, March 11 – 13, 2015, Florence. This year's conference will focus on how museums are moving forward and expanding through new construction, technology, programs and partnerships. Visit <http://www.southcarolinamuseums.org/conference> for more information.

NEW National Main Streets Conference, March 30 – April 2, 2015, Atlanta, GA. With the theme "TEAM Main Street: Teamwork and Entrepreneurship across Main Street" the conference will focus on bringing partners together to foster new ideas for building economic, financial, and business development successes. [For the latest news and information, sign up for conference email alerts.](#)

NEW Landmarks Conference, April 9 – 11, 2015. More information will be posted on the Confederation of South Carolina Local Historical Societies webpage <http://www.palmettohistory.org/confederation/>.

Mid Century Modern Structures: Materials and Preservation 2015 Symposium, April 13-16, 2015, St. Louis, MO. Focusing primarily on the history, use, and preservation of materials found in Mid-Century modern architecture, the 2015 three-day symposium will provide in-depth understanding of the complex issues associated with the preservation of these structures. For more information and to register see <http://ncptt.nps.gov/events/mid-century-modern-structures-2/>.

South Carolina's Historic Preservation Conference, April 23, 2015, Columbia. Proposals for educational sessions will be accepted until February 2, 2015. For more details, please see <http://shpo.sc.gov/events/Pages/presconf.aspx>. To sign up to receive the conference registration brochure please contact Elizabeth Johnson at emjohnson@scdah.state.sc.us, 803-896-6168.

National Rosenwald Schools Conference: Sharing the Past Shaping the Future, June 17-19, 2015, Durham, NC. The second national Rosenwald schools conference will feature 30 educational sessions, poster sessions, field sessions at area schools, and other thematic tours. To receive conference updates email Rosenwald@savingplaces.org with your contact information or call 843-722-8552.

Grant Application Deadlines

December 3, 2014: Sustaining Cultural Heritage Collections Grants. The National Endowment for the Humanities invites applications from nonprofit museums, libraries, archives, and educational institutions in the United States for the Sustaining Cultural Heritage Collections grant program. This program supports planning and implementation of sustainable preventive conservation projects that pragmatically balance preservation goals, cost, and environmental impact. Guidelines, FAQs, and sample narratives from successful applications are online at www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/SCHC.html. NEH program officers are available to discuss project ideas and read draft proposals. Please contact the division for more information by emailing preservation@neh.gov or calling 202-606-8570.

Wednesday, January 14, 2015: Humanities Council^{SC}'s Major Grants. Major Grants (\$2000 - \$8000) support public programs designed to be accessible by a broad audience, to serve citizens in urban, rural, and small-town settings, and to make possible humanities programs that illuminate and enrich the lives of both audiences and scholars. Drafts are strongly encouraged and will be accepted any time prior to the deadline listed below. For more information visit <http://schumanities.org/grants/> or contact T.J. Wallace at tjwallace@schumanities.org.

January 16, 2015: American Battlefield Protection Program Battlefield Preservation Grants. Non-profit groups, academic institutions, and local, regional, state, and tribal governments are invited to apply for grants for eligible projects: archaeology, cultural landscape inventories, cultural resource documentation, GIS mapping, National Register nominations, and preservation plans. Project funding ranges from \$5,000 to \$75,000. Matching funds or in-kind services for the projects are encouraged but not required. The application form and complete guidelines are available at <http://www.nps.gov/abpp/grants/battlefieldgrants/2015grants.html>.

February 6, 2015: Federal Historic Preservation Grants. Administered by the SHPO, these grants can assist two types of projects: (1) Survey and Planning Projects—eligible projects include surveys of historic properties, National Register nominations, preservation education, and preservation planning; (2) Stabilization Projects—eligible projects include stabilizing historic buildings or protecting historic buildings from the adverse effects of the weather (only for projects in Certified Local Government (CLG) communities). Any local government, non-profit, or institution in South Carolina may apply for a Federal Historic Preservation Grant. At least 10% of the state's annual grant from the National Park Service must be awarded to CLGs. As funding is available after the required CLG minimum is met, then non-CLG projects may also be selected for funding. Grant awards generally range from \$1,500 to \$25,000. The 2015 application is online at <http://shpo.sc.gov/programs/Pages/Grants.aspx>. For additional information or to discuss a potential project contact Brad Sauls at 803-896-6172, sauls@scdah.state.sc.us.

Online sources of grant information:

[National Trust for Historic Preservation](#) Finding Preservation Funding
[Preservation Directory](#) Grants and Funding Resources
[State Library](#) Grants Research Assistance
[SC Grantmakers Network](#)
[Federal grants](#) Grants.gov
[Foundation Center](#) Foundation Directory Online

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